



## **MONTHLY BIRD CENSUS 17 DEC 2006**

CENSUS NUMBER TIME 08:00 – 12:00 CLOUD COVER 100% PRECIP NONE

OPEN WATER 95% \*1 FOG NONE WIND 0 - 5 MPH TEMP 29 - 36 SNOW COVER NONE

PARTICIPANTS: Ryan Wiese and Roger Orness (ponds)

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## **SPECIES**

1. Pied-billed Grebe 12	14. Hooded Merganser 10	27. Black-capped Chickadee 7
2. Double-crested Cormorant 4	15. Common Merganser 1 M	28. Marsh Wren 3
3. Great Blue Heron 4	16. Ruddy Duck 6	29. Golden-crowned Kinglet 1
4. Trumpeter Swan 6 *2	17. Bald Eagle 1 *3	30. American Robin 14
5. Canada Goose 26	18. Northern Harrier 2 *4	31. European Starling 100
6. Gadwall 18	19. Cooper's Hawk 1 *5	32. Spotted Towhee 3
7. American Wigeon 51	20. Red-tailed Hawk 6 *6	33. Savanna Sparrow 3
8. Mallard 95	21. American Coot 62	34. Song Sparrow 30
9. Northern Shoveler 44	22. Dunlin 25 *7	35. Lincoln's Sparrow 2
10. Northern Pintail 20	23. Glaucous-winged Gull 3	36. Golden-crowned Sparrow 2
11. Green-winged Teal 16	24. Northern Flicker 2	37. Western Meadowlark 8
12. Ring-necked Duck 41	25. Northern Shrike 1 *8	38. House Finch 9
13. Bufflehead 7	26. American Crow 29	

## \*NOTES\*

- \*1 Both N. cells were 100% frozen, but the rest of the ponds were open. Amphibian pond water not checked.
- \*2 Two adult swans and 4 juveniles were observed in the main open part of the lagoon early in the morning.
- \*3 One adult eagle was perched in a tree along the E. edge of the E. mound accompanied by a young red-tail.
- \*4 One hatch year female and one second year male were seen on various perches around the W. meadow.
- \*5 One adult male was perched in a small deciduous tree, just S. of the NW. cell was tolerant of our presence.
- \*6 Both NW. adults and both SW. adults observed on territory plus 2 juveniles perching E. of the E. mound.
- \*7 While a flock of 200 plus Dunlin were passing overhead to the S. this smaller flock was low over the lagoon.
- \*8 The shrike was observed from the W. meadow perching on the lagoon island S. snag and too far to age.

## **MORE NOTES**

The recent wind storm has downed several more snags, leaving less than half of those originally put into place. No owls were seen at Anderson Park and the Russell Road nest box was not checked, although recently vacant.